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SENATOR NORE: I hadn't heard that. As the bill stands now and the amendments you want to put on it, why I think it's a conspiracy.

SENATOR SNYDER: Now, hold it, may I have, do I still have the floor, Mr. President?

PRESIDENT: You do.

SENATOR SNYDER: I think that that last phrase should be explained a little bit. There's been too much talk about conspiracies around here this week and I'm not a part of this one either, Senator Nore, just for the record but this deals with caucus, caucusing rather than having primary elections in Class III School Districts and is it all right for me to say that your term conspiracy was meant that you feel that caucusing is a form of conspiracy and not that I...

SENATOR NORE: The way the bill is now it's probably all right, but with Senator Stahmer's amendment would make it much better. But the way that your constituent who was the superintendent of schools who wants to, wants to get his particular individual on the school board, in fact with the amendment he wants to put on, he wants to only nominate two persons in the caucus and I don't think that's quite fair and I think it's, to me I think it's, it is a conspiracy so that he can select the school board instead of the, the, the voters.

SENATOR SNYDER: Only, only to say that the caucus form is to, in lieu of a primary.

SENATOR NORE: I don't think that's, I think Senator Stahmer's amendment is a very good amendment and I think it makes all Class III districts elect their school board alike. I think that's very good.

SENATOR SNYDER: Well,...

PRESIDENT: Senator Snyder, back to you.

SENATOR SNYDER: Thank you. I'm going to have to oppose this only on the grounds that the school board did come to me and they have used the caucus form for many years and the caucus form is all right with me. I think what Senator Nore is saying is that all Class IIIs where they now have the option of a caucus would have to have a primary ballot. Originally the bill as Senator Nore had it would allow only two people to the caucus. That is to say that the number of people who go there you'd only have two people from the caucus whose names would go on the General Election ballot and I think that's the point of contention here is that there's no sense in having a caucus if you're going to end up with a dozen names on the ballot. Now Senator Nore, I'll yield to you. Go ahead because I can see you've got something to say on this.

PRESIDENT: All right, the chair recognizes Senator Nore but, well, go ahead Senator Nore. We have someone else that wants to speak.

SENATOR NORE: I, I, I wouldn't be opposed to having five or six people or a dozen or two dozen on the ballot, it would be much better than just having two probably incumbent and one other, wouldn't it?

SENATOR SNYDER: Well, the point is, Senator, that in a caucus you have two people nominated. It could be the incumbent, it could be...